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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Yoshio Ozawa, et al.) Group Art Unit: 2823
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Application No.: 09/559,757) Examiner: Pham, Thanh V.
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Filed: April 27, 2000)
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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND)
METHOD OF MANUFACTURE)
THEREOF)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

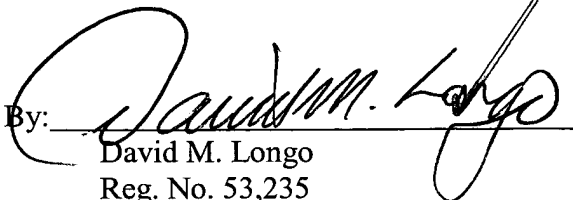
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In the Restriction Requirement dated May 2, 2003, with a period for response extending through June 2, 2003, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between two Species. Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute the first Specie, characterized by the Examiner as "wherein the film which must be processed is formed on the insulating film." Applicants submit that claims 8 – 15 are readable thereon, and note for the record that the Examiner admitted "claim 8 is generic with respect to claim 12" (Restriction Requirement, p. 2).

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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